

House Amendment 8623

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1 1 Amend House File 2769 as follows:
1 2 #1. Page 1, by inserting before line 1 the
1 3 following:
1 4 <DIVISION I
1 5 CODE CHANGES>
1 6 #2. Page 3, by striking lines 13 through 17 and
1 7 inserting the following: <shall include but are not
1 8 limited to home visitation. After a community
1 9 empowerment area board has committed the portion of
1 10 school ready grant funding that is designated or
1 11 authorized by law to be used or set aside for a
1 12 particular purpose, the community board shall commit
1 13 approximately sixty percent of the remainder to family
1 14 support services and parent education programs
1 15 targeted to families with children who are newborn
1 16 through age five.>
1 17 #3. Page 5, by inserting after line 30 the
1 18 following:
1 19 <DIVISION II
1 20 APPROPRIATIONS == EARLY CARE, HEALTH, AND
1 21 EDUCATION PROGRAMS
1 22 Sec. _____. FAMILY SUPPORT AND PARENT EDUCATION ==
1 23 FY 2006=2007 THROUGH FY 2008=2009. There is
1 24 appropriated from the general fund of the state to the
1 25 department of education for deposit in the school
1 26 ready children grants account of the Iowa empowerment
1 27 fund for each fiscal year of the period beginning July
1 28 1, 2006, and ending June 30, 2009, the following
1 29 amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used
1 30 for the purposes designated:
1 31 For family support services and parent education
1 32 programs targeted to families expecting a child or
1 33 with newborn and infant children through age three, in
1 34 accordance with this section:
1 35 \$ 5,000,000
1 36 The amount appropriated in this section shall be
1 37 distributed in each of the fiscal years as part of the
1 38 school ready children grant program funding using the
1 39 distribution formula approved by the Iowa empowerment
1 40 board and shall be used by a community empowerment
1 41 area only for family support services and parent
1 42 education programs targeted to families expecting a
1 43 child or with newborn and infant children through age
1 44 three.
1 45 Sec. _____. EARLY CARE, HEALTH, AND EDUCATION
1 46 PROGRAMS == FY 2006=2007.
1 47 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of
1 48 the state to the school ready children grants account
1 49 of the Iowa empowerment fund for the fiscal year
1 50 beginning July 1, 2006, and ending June 30, 2007, the
2 1 following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary,
2 2 to be used for the purposes designated:
2 3 For early care, health, and education programs, in
2 4 accordance with this section:
2 5 \$ 10,000,000
2 6 2. Of the amount appropriated in subsection 1,
2 7 \$5,500,000 is allocated to increase the funding
2 8 designated for distribution to community empowerment
2 9 areas to assist low-income parents with tuition for
2 10 preschool for children ages four and five who are not
2 11 attending kindergarten in order to increase the basic
2 12 family income eligibility requirement to not more than
2 13 200 percent of the federal poverty level. In
2 14 addition, if sufficient funding is available after
2 15 addressing the needs of those who meet the basic
2 16 income eligibility requirement, a community
2 17 empowerment area board may provide for eligibility for
2 18 those with a family income in excess of the basic
2 19 income eligibility requirement through use of a
2 20 sliding scale or other copayment provision.
2 21 3. Of the amount appropriated in subsection 1,
2 22 \$3,500,000 is allocated for efforts to improve the
2 23 quality of early care, health, and education programs.
2 24 The Iowa empowerment board may reserve a portion of

2 25 the allocation, not to exceed \$100,000 for the
2 26 technical assistance expenses of the Iowa empowerment
2 27 office and shall distribute the remainder to community
2 28 empowerment areas for local quality improvement
2 29 efforts through a methodology identified by the board
2 30 to make the most productive use of the funding, which
2 31 may include use of the distribution formula, grants,
2 32 or other means.

2 33 4. a. Of the amount appropriated in subsection 1,
2 34 \$1,000,000 shall be credited to the community
2 35 empowerment gifts and grants account created in this
2 36 Act within the Iowa empowerment fund. The amount
2 37 credited shall be reserved for distribution to
2 38 implement those recommendations of the business
2 39 community investment advisory council created in this
2 40 subsection that are approved for implementation by the
2 41 Iowa empowerment board. Not more than 3 percent of
2 42 the amount allocated in this subsection shall be used
2 43 for the expenses of the advisory council created in
2 44 this subsection.

2 45 b. A business community investment advisory
2 46 council is created to advise the Iowa empowerment
2 47 board. The membership of the advisory council shall
2 48 be appointed by the governor in a manner to ensure
2 49 there is representation for rural and urban interests,
2 50 various geographic areas of the state, and different
3 1 sizes of businesses. The membership shall be
3 2 appointed as follows:

3 3 (1) Two members from nominees provided by the Iowa
3 4 business council.

3 5 (2) Two members from nominees provided by the Iowa
3 6 association of business and industry.

3 7 (3) One member from nominees provided by the Iowa
3 8 chamber alliance.

3 9 (4) One member from nominees provided by the
3 10 professional developers of Iowa.

3 11 (5) Three members representing early care, health,
3 12 and education services providers from nominees
3 13 provided by the state child care advisory council so
3 14 that representation is provided for for-profit child
3 15 development home providers, for-profit child care
3 16 center providers, and nonprofit child care center
3 17 providers.

3 18 (6) One member representing school administrators
3 19 who have responsibilities involving a public preschool
3 20 program from nominees provided by the school
3 21 administrators of Iowa.

3 22 (7) One member representing kindergarten teachers
3 23 from nominees provided by the Iowa state education
3 24 association, professional educators of Iowa, and
3 25 nonpublic schools.

3 26 (8) One parent of a child from birth through age
3 27 five who is not attending kindergarten from nominees
3 28 submitted by community empowerment area boards.

3 29 (9) The directors of the state agencies
3 30 represented on the Iowa empowerment board may serve as
3 31 nonvoting, ex officio members of the advisory council.

3 32 c. The advisory council shall advise the Iowa
3 33 empowerment board on the best means to leverage
3 34 private investment in early care, health, and
3 35 education services and provide options for creating
3 36 model projects for public-private partnerships to
3 37 support quality early care, health, and education
3 38 programming in communities. The advisory council
3 39 shall complete its deliberations by submitting a
3 40 report with recommendations and findings to the Iowa
3 41 empowerment board on or before December 31, 2006. The
3 42 report shall address all of the following in addition
3 43 to other items identified by the advisory council:

3 44 (1) A strategy for blending funding for early
3 45 care, health, and education services from the public
3 46 sector and the private sector, including but not
3 47 limited to the funding provided by businesses and
3 48 individual families. The advisory council shall
3 49 consider an approach based on that used for the vision
3 50 Iowa program, the grow Iowa values fund, and other
4 1 economic models.

4 2 (2) A strategy for community empowerment area
4 3 boards to develop and implement local public-private
4 4 partnership networks and apply for state and private
4 5 funding to implement innovative early care, health,

4 6 and education programming, or to be able to apply for
4 7 competitive grants to enhance such partnership
4 8 networks. The advisory council shall give
4 9 consideration to similar approaches that have been
4 10 successful in other states.
4 11 (3) A strategy for requiring local match funding
4 12 for a community empowerment area to access the funding
4 13 allocated in this subsection.
4 14 (4) Accountability and evaluation measures.
4 15 (5) Provisions to ensure efficiency.
4 16 Sec. _____. EARLY CARE, HEALTH, AND EDUCATION
4 17 PROGRAMS == FY 2007=2008 AND 2008=2009.
4 18 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of
4 19 the state to the department of education for deposit
4 20 in the school ready children grants account of the
4 21 Iowa empowerment fund for each fiscal year of the
4 22 fiscal period beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June
4 23 30, 2009, the following amount, or so much thereof as
4 24 is necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:
4 25 For early care, health, and education and preschool
4 26 programs, to continue programs and initiatives
4 27 developed pursuant to the appropriation made in this
4 28 division of this Act for this purpose for the fiscal
4 29 year beginning July 1, 2006:
4 30 \$ 15,000,000
4 31 2. Expenditure of the amounts appropriated in this
4 32 section is subject to enactment of law specifying how
4 33 the amounts are to be distributed. It is the intent
4 34 of the general assembly that the increase in funding
4 35 provided by this section of \$5,000,000 over the amount
4 36 appropriated in this division of this Act for the same
4 37 purpose for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2006,
4 38 will be designated for the expansion of the
4 39 initiatives implemented pursuant to the business
4 40 community investment advisory council recommendations
4 41 adopted pursuant to this Act.>
4 42 #4. Title page, line 2, by striking the words <an
4 43 appropriation> and inserting the following:
4 44 <appropriations>.
4 45 #5. By renumbering as necessary.
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4 49 TYMESON of Madison
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5 2 _____
5 3 FOEGE of Linn
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5 6 _____
5 7 UPMEYER of Hancock
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5 10 _____
5 11 HEATON of Henry
5 12 HF 2769.202 81
5 13 jp/sh/5388